STATE OF INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

PUBLIC NOTICE NO. 2004-2B-RD

DATE OF NOTICE: February 11, 2004

DATE RESPONSE DUE: March 12, 2004

The Office of Water Quality proposes the following NPDES DRAFT PERMIT:

MAJOR - NEW

THE CITY OF HOBART WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT, 37th Avenue and Deep River, Hobart, IN, Permit No. IN0061344. This municipal facility proposes to discharge 4.8 million gallons per day of treated sanitary wastewater into the Deep River in LAKE COUNTY. The revised draft permit is being public noticed to obtain additional public comment on the proposed treatment facility description and updated fact sheet information regarding the antidegradation issues raised during the initial comment period. Permit Writer: Roger Rylatt at 317/232-8619. Published in the Times & the Post-Tribune.

All Draft documents are on file and may be inspected at IDEM, Office of Water Quality/Permit Section, 12th floor/Rm 1203, 100 N. Senate Av, Indianapolis, IN. Please note: visitors must sign in at the 12th floor Reception Desk, West end, just off the elevator. Files can be viewed between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday-Friday, (copies 10¢ per page). A copy of the Draft Permit is also on file and can be viewed at the Lake County Health Department, and at the IDEM Northwest Regional Office at 504 Broadway – STE 418, Gary, IN (888/209-8892 or 219-881-6712). The draft permit is also available on IDEM's website at http://www.in.gov/idem/water/npdes/public_notice/index.html. Please bring this matter to the attention of persons whom you know would be interested in this matter.

Procedures to file a response: The proposed decision to issue a permit is tentative. Interested persons are invited to submit written comments on the Draft permit. All comments must be postmarked no later than the Response Date noted to be considered in the decision to issue a Final permit. Deliver or mail all requests or comments to: Indiana Department of Environmental Management, Municipal Permits Section/Rm 1255 - Office of Water Quality, 100 North Senate Avenue or P.O. Box 6015, Indianapolis, IN 46206-6015.

To Request a Public Hearing:

Any person may request a public hearing within 30 days of the Public Notice date. The request must be submitted to the above address. The written request shall include: the name and address of the person making the request, the interest of the person making the request, persons represented by the person making the request, the reason for the request and the issues proposed for consideration at the hearing. The Department will determine whether to hold another public hearing based upon the comments and the rationale for the request. Public Notice of such a hearing will be circulated in at least one newspaper in the geographical area of the discharge and to those persons submitting comments and/or on the mailing list at least 30 days prior to the hearing.